Brownfields Economic Revitalization Workshop



Kansas Brownfields Program

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What are Brownfields?

Real property where the expansion, redevelopment or reuse may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contamination.

EPA estimates 450,000 to 1,000,000 properties exist throughout the U.S. which can be classified as brownfields.



What Does the Kansas Brownfields Program Offer to Kansas Communities?



- The program offers environmental services to identify and assess abandoned and underutilized properties for reuse and redevelopment
- No Cost to Eligible Applicants
- Phase I, II, and sometimes Phase III
 Assessments
- Small clean-ups
- Cost-Sharing on Asbestos Abatement

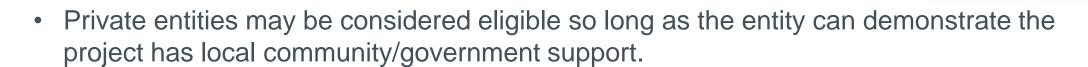
What Does the Kansas Brownfields Program Offer to Kansas Communities?

- Why Redevelop Brownfields?
 - Remove blight
 - Remediation of contaminated material
 - Improve communities' real estate values
 - Reuse commercial and industrial areas, and keep greenspace green.
- Why utilize the state program?
 - State-lead program that is federally funded
 - Non-competitive

Applicant and Property Eligibility Determinations

Annual Brownfields Program funding through EPA

- Includes Environmental Assessments at no cost to eligible applicants.
- Eligible applicants are any city, town, county, not-for-profit.



Sites cannot be enrolled in another program with BER or EPA Superfund.

Additional Brownfields Grant funding through EPA's Competitive Grant Process

• EPA awards funding for grants and other assistance. From small non-profit organizations to large state governments.





Phase I Environmental Site Assessment

- Objective is to identify Recognized Environmental Conditions (RECs)
- ▶ RECs are the presence or likely presence of a hazardous substance or petroleum product in, on, or at a property due to a release to the environment; under conditions indicative of a release; or under material threat o fa future release to the environment.



Phase I Environmental Site Assessment

Accomplished through focusing on three main tasks

- 1) Site Reconnaissance
- 2) Interviews
- 3) Records Review



What RECs may be present at this site?







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Should other considerations be evaluated when conducting the Phase I BTA?



Add-Scope Considerations

Additional considerations outside of Phase I ESA



Asbestos Survey



Lead-based paint sampling



Mold sampling (Kansas)

FY 2017 The brownfields program has provided over \$65,000 in assistance for Asbestos Abatement Projects.

Phase II ESA

Include soil and groundwater sampling and analyses – typically via the use of direct push technology and laboratory analysis based on specific RECs

- Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
- Volatile Organic Compounds
- Nitrate, ammonia, pesticides
- Metals





Fort Scott, Kansas

Riverfront Park 2007













Ft. Scott Riverfront Park Today









Funding For Riverfront Park

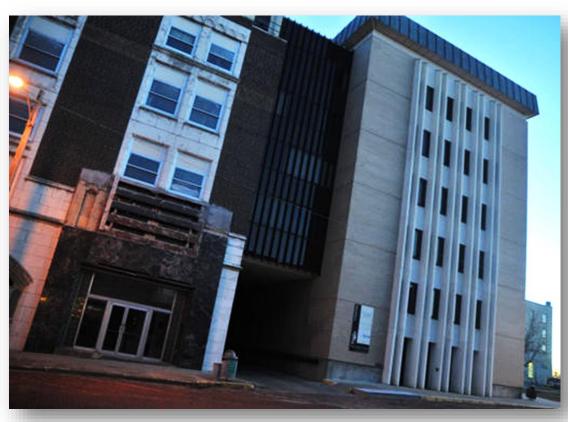


- KDHE assisted with over \$87,000 in Brownfields Assistance
- Eight parcels / 62 acres of underutilized space
- 2.5M in Grants



Former Western Insurance Buildings







Building Interiors

100,000 square feet of undesirable underutilized space









Funding to Attract Development



- \$35,000 in Brownfields Funding
- \$1M in city funds to complete building rehabilitation
- \$6M from Private Investors



Western Insurance Building Today





Western Senior Living

Affordable Housing for Seniors 55 and over



2 Bedrooms

\$560/month

\$300 Security Deposit for 1bed and \$350 Security Deposit for 2bed



8 E. 1st Street

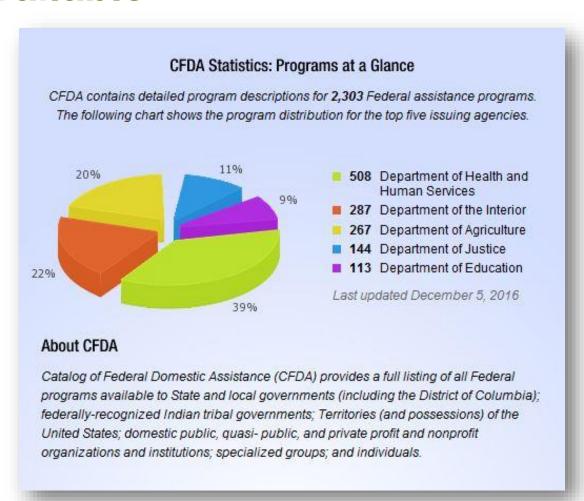
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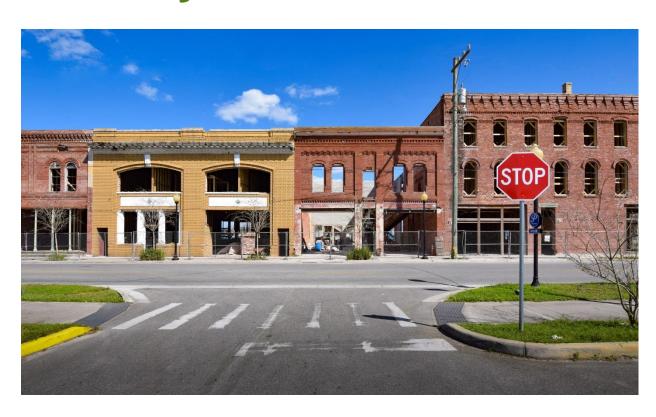


Assistance Available





Thank you/Questions



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